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1 A JOINT RESOLUTION directing the executive director of the Education
2 Professional Standards Board with the cooperation of the commissioner of education and
3 the president of the Council on Postsecondary Education to establish an interagency task
4 force to collaborate with public and private postsecondary education institutions for the
5 redesign of preparation programs and the professional development of educational
6 leaders.

7 WHEREAS, there is a critical need for Kentucky schools to have leaders who are
8 prepared to improve teaching and learning; and

9 WHEREAS, all Kentucky school leaders need to have a mastery of current
10 knowledge and skills, and the dispositions to improve teaching and learning; and

11 WHEREAS, it is a goal of the General Assembly that every school have leadership
12 that improves schools and increases the learning and development of all students; and

13 WHEREAS, there is a need for a seamless system of education leadership that
14 includes the recruitment and selection of potential education leaders; and preparation and
15 certification, induction, professional development, and supportive working conditions
16 that focus on a vision of school leaders as instructional leaders; and

17 WHEREAS, activities to redesign education leadership preparation programs are
18 underway among state regulatory agencies to create integrated and embedded programs
19 addressing the school leadership needs of the Commonwealth;

20 NOW, THEREFORE,

21 ***Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

22 Section 1. The executive director of the Education Professional Standards Board,
23 with the cooperation of the commissioner of education and the president of the Council
24 on Postsecondary Education, shall organize an interagency task force to collaborate with
25 private and public postsecondary education institutions for the redesign of programs for
26 school and district leaders, including the preparation and certification of principals,
27 assistant principals, superintendents, and other central office and school-based

1 administrators.

2 (1) The size and make-up of the task force shall be determined by consensus of the
3 executive director, commissioner, and president.

4 (2) The work of the task force shall begin no later than August 15, 2006.

5 (3) The redesigned programs for developing educational leaders shall have:

6 (a) Recruitment and selection policies that ensure that persons with high
7 leadership potential and talent are being prepared to lead Kentucky schools;

8 (b) Strong emphasis on developing the essential competencies necessary for
9 improving the safe and efficient management of schools and increasing
10 student achievement;

11 (c) A standards and research base with coherent goals, learning activities, and
12 assessment around a shared set of values, beliefs, and knowledge about
13 effective administrative practices;

14 (d) Provisions for field-based internships that incorporate problem-based learning
15 and utilize cohort groups and mentors whenever possible and appropriate;

16 (e) Strong clinical training options throughout the programs that include
17 extensive collaborations between postsecondary education institutions and
18 school districts;

19 (f) Induction components for newly hired principals and other education leaders,
20 which provide both collegial support and individual mentoring with
21 documented evidence of the new principals' or other education leaders'
22 abilities to focus on high levels of student learning, growth, and achievement;

23 (g) Provisions for high-quality professional development that strengthen current
24 school leaders' capacity to work with faculty in changing school and
25 classroom practices to increase student learning, growth, and achievement;
26 and

27 (h) Support for working conditions that enable leaders to implement strong

1 instructional leadership that improves opportunities for teaching and learning
2 for all students.

3 (4) The interagency task force in collaboration with postsecondary education
4 institutions shall:

5 (a) Ensure involvement of all appropriate education entities during all stages of
6 the redesign processes;

7 (b) Identify postsecondary education institution and school district resources that
8 can be utilized to make educational leadership programs as effective as
9 possible;

10 (c) Identify the competencies, knowledge, skill sets, and dispositions that all
11 instructional leaders must possess;

12 (d) Require instruction and the improvement of student learning, growth, and
13 achievement;

14 (e) Require problem-based learning while addressing state and national leadership
15 standards; and

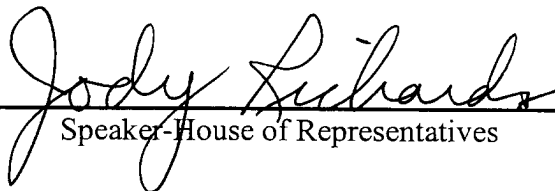
16 (f) Require the relevant field-based experiences and internships that allow
17 candidates to demonstrate leadership competencies in real-life situations.

18 (5) The interagency task force shall:

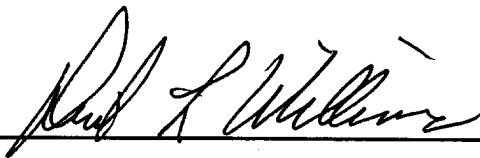
19 (a) Utilize regionally and nationally recognized experts in educational leadership
20 to assess Kentucky's current needs and evaluate institutional redesign
21 proposals to meet those needs;

22 (b) Study and determine best practices for implementing the redesign of
23 educational leadership programs in Kentucky, including the use of institution-
24 based redesign coordinators to spearhead, coordinate, and administer a multi-
25 year development process and the establishment of an executive leadership
26 academy with a clear focus on improving student learning, growth, and
27 achievement by developing the instructional leadership and management

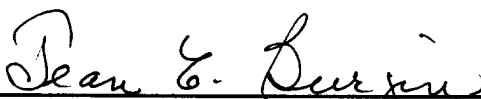
- 1 expertise of Kentucky's principals; and
- 2 (c) Require alignment of doctoral programs in education with the redesigned
- 3 masters' and other leadership programs to ensure rigor and relevance.
- 4 Section 2. The interagency task force shall provide a progress report to the Interim
- 5 Joint Committee on Education by October 1, 2007, and as requested thereafter.



Speaker-House of Representatives



President of the Senate

Attest: 

Chief Clerk of House of Representatives

Approved 

Governor

Date 
